

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship is as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled FUEL CAP WITH SEAL-RETENTION GASKET AND MEANS the specification of which (check one)

☒ is attached hereto

☐ was filed on  
as Application Serial No.  
and was amended on [Date] (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) specifically referred to above.

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<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Foreign Filing Date</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
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